

Brookline Selectboard Minutes (Draft)
Special Highway Meeting
July 14, 2010

1. Chairman Doug Wellman called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Present were board members Mike Winot and Mike Fontaine. Board member Kim Rink arrived late due to a work commitment. Road Foreman Mark Bills and members of the public Archie Clark and Larry Brown were also in attendance.

2. Bid Opening: Bids were opened for replacement of the culvert near 431 Hill Road. Six Bids were received.

- "Coop" Bills \$88,980
- Higher Element Excavating \$62,000
- A.S. Clark \$61,525
- SCI Holdings \$87,000
- M&M Excavating \$77,369
- Larry Brown \$73,558

After a brief discussion, Mike Fontaine motioned that the bid from A.S. Clark be accepted. Seconded, all in favor, approved. Doug thanked the bidders in attendance. Procedures for work were then discussed with Archie. The town will be responsible for cutting of the two trees necessary and the contractor will remove the brush. The estimated time the road will be closed during the culvert replacement is about one week.

3. Other Highway Business:

a. Mark picked up the trashed dumped on Putney Mountain Road and disposed of it. Mike Fontaine has discussed this with the State Police. A bill will be sent to the person identified as the potential offender (by the contents) for the road crews time and disposal fees.

b. Doug had talked to the band rail contractor about replacement of the rail by Papoose Lane. They are currently working along route 30 and will try to get ours in the next couple of weeks.

c. Mark is still waiting for delivery of gravel. If it can't be delivered soon he will at least grade the bad spots on Putney Mountain Road.

d. The board asked Mark to spray the poison ivy around the bridges and under sections of band rail where it is thick. He will also look at removing the tree that fell in Grassy Brook near the town office.

4. Tax rates: The town and highway tax rates have been calculated by the treasurer to raise the amount of monies voted at town meeting. Doug motioned that the town tax rate be set at \$ 0.1080 and the highway rate be set at \$ 0.1871. Seconded, all in favor, approved.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Respectively submitted
Douglas Wellman
Chair, Brookline Selectboard